

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

## Two Hands.

One was that of a lady, rich and grand,  
Who scorned to let her dainty fingers  
touch  
An object that, perchance, would leave a  
soil  
Or do a servile task, lest it should spoil  
The beauty that she valued over-much.

Here was a small and very shapely hand,  
With skin as soft as velvet, and so  
white,  
Its fairness almost rivaled lilies' snow—  
The palm was tinted with a rosy glow—  
The wrist and fingers flashed with  
jewels bright.

How lovely—but, alas! a useless hand!  
Moved by a will adverse to care and  
pain—  
A heart of selfishness and pride com-  
bined,  
Unmindful of the fact that God designed  
Some duty for the fair, as well as plain.

The other was that of a woman who  
Was humbly born and reared to low  
estate;  
Its chiefest charm was strength to earn  
the bread,  
With which four helpless orphans could  
be fed—  
For them she ceaselessly toiled both  
soon and late.

Nor deemed no work too rough—no task  
too great  
To undertake for those whose urgent  
needs  
Appealed to her for sympathy and aid;  
Each day her honest brown hand was  
thus arrayed.

In priceless jewels of unselfish deeds,  
And though it was a rugged, wrinkled  
hand,  
Because it shirked no duty found to do,  
But nobly, bravely, yet full meekly bore  
The trying burdens falling to the poor,  
Its virtues made it fairer of the two.

—Designer for May.

## Miss Watt at Club.

Miss Watt, of Canada, secretary-general  
of the Mission to the Lepers, interested  
a large audience at the Woman's Club  
last afternoon by a most interesting ac-  
count of the needs of the Leper Settle-  
ment and the noble work done in its be-  
half by men and women who have given  
their lives and fortunes to the work of  
bringing aid to the lepers.

The pictures drawn by Miss Watt of  
suffering and sorrow among the lepers  
of the Mission to the Lepers, made her  
appeal, evoke sympathy and interest  
in every heart. A large number of the  
ladies belonging to the Leper Associa-  
tion were present, among them, Mrs.  
Landon Mason, the president; Mrs. E.  
Nutting, the Misses Nutting, Mrs. F. C.  
Hahr and Mrs. A. W. Garber.

## Building Fund Circle.

Mrs. William Elyson's Circle of the  
Woman's Building Fund Association, Sec-  
ond Baptist Church, have fixed upon the  
last week in May for an excursion to  
Williamsburg. The date will be Saturday,  
May 27th. This association is pledged to  
raise one thousand dollars by the first  
of next January.

For years the ladies of the Second  
Church have given valuable assistance to  
all of the charitable, patriotic and other  
organizations of the city, and are noted  
for their public spirit and generosity.  
Now that they are making the effort  
to raise money for one of the great en-  
terprises, they hope to have a generous  
response from their friends, not for a  
contribution, but rather for a fine oppor-  
tunity to spend a charming day at the  
old capital of Virginia at the time of  
year when this lovely and interesting place  
is looking its best.

The circle is composed of prominent  
women whose names will be given later.

## Bladen—Goddin.

Miss Annie Goddin, of Richmond, and  
Mr. John Bladen, of Norfolk, an employe  
of the Norfolk and Western Railroad,  
were married yesterday, at 2 P. M., in  
the parlors of the Rev. Dr. Russell Cecil,  
pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church.

The ceremony was quiet. The bride was  
very pretty in a gown of white, and  
the honeymoon will be spent at  
Virginia Beach and Mr. and Mrs. Bladen  
will make their home in Roanoke.

## Queen of May.

Miss Betty Elyson's, Building Fund  
Band will give a Queen of May festival  
at 8 o'clock, on the evening of May 5th,  
in the lecture room of the Second Baptist  
Church.

A matinee at 2 P. M. will follow on  
May 5th. The affair promises to be one  
of the most interesting events of the  
early Easter season, and is looked for-  
ward to with eager anticipation.

## Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Bramham, of Plu-  
vanna county, announce the engagement  
of their daughter, Bettie, to Mr. J. B.  
Bowles, of Goodland. The marriage  
will take place soon after Easter.

## Bishop—Plunkett.

Miss Margaret Plunkett, daughter of  
Mrs. L. H. Plunkett, of Plunkettville,  
and Mr. Thomas Bishop were married  
Tuesday evening in the home of the  
bride's mother, in Plunkettville, by the  
Rev. M. L. Wood, D. D., of the Staunton  
Baptist Church.

## Virginia and Yale Entertained.

The Norfolk alumni of the University  
of Virginia are arranging for a dance,  
to be given at the Country Club Saturday  
evening next, in honor of the base-ball  
players of Yale and Virginia, who will  
meet on the diamond at Norfolk on  
Saturday afternoon. The proposal has  
met with great enthusiasm, and the  
affair promises to be a grand success.

## Personal Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cropper, of Washing-  
ton, formerly of New York, have re-  
turned to Washington from a prolonged  
stay in their country place in the Blue  
Ridge Mountains. They will come to  
Richmond the latter part of the week  
to spend Easter. They will attend the  
wedding of Miss Margaret Watkins to

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## POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Elliot Norton.

No. 475.

## A HYMN.

By ISAAC WATTS.

Isaac Watts, one of the most celebrated writers of hymns, was born July 17, 1741, in England. His early devotion to his studies was so great that he impaired his constitution, and though he lived until November 25, 1795, he was never able to do hard work.

Watts has well been called the father of English hymns. This hymn was sung in the church which Matthew Arnold attended the day of his death, and almost his last words were the lines of the last stanza.



WHEN I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the cross of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet?  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a tribute far too small;  
Love, so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

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## VIRGINIA BRIEFS.

Mr. William de Saussure, taking place April 25th.

Miss Mary Darnall, who has been visiting relatives in the city, has returned to her home in Roanoke.

Miss Lucy Clair Atkinson, regent of the Old Dominion Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and her sister, Miss Ethel Walker Atkinson, are spending the week at the New Willard.

Mrs. W. L. Burruss, of Fredericksburg, is the guest of friends in Richmond.

Dr. and Mrs. Louis McLean Tiffany, of Baltimore, have opened for the summer, Mount Custis, their country place, in Accapon county, Va.

Mrs. Morrison, of this city, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George Minor Meredith, in Willsborough Avenue, Brambleton, Norfolk.

Miss Katie Buford is visiting Mrs. Junius Lynch, in Butte Street, Norfolk.

Miss Leanne Bastran and Dr. William J. Knight, of Newport News, are visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. J. R. Clark, of Lynchburg, has returned home after a pleasant stay with friends in the city.

Messrs. W. G. Moseley and L. W. Brander are spending a few days in Staunton.

The Misses Easley, of Houston, Va., will be the guests, during Easter week, of Mrs. Robert Lancaster, No. 904 Park Avenue. Miss Elizabeth Easley will be one of the attendants at the De Saussure-Walkins wedding.

Miss Julia Stitt is visiting her brother, the Rev. J. W. Stitt, of Portsmouth.

The Southern Colony in Washington is giving its best efforts to the "Dixie Dance" to be given in the Confederate Veterans' Hall the evening of April 27th, under the supervision of the Robert E. Lee Chapter, of the Daughters of the Confederacy, of Washington.

Mrs. Walter W. Foster, of No. 11 North First Street, who has been ill for some weeks, is slightly better, but is still unable to be out.

Miss Margaret Lea, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. R. W. Miles, of Floyd Avenue. This is Miss Lea's first visit to Richmond. She is much charmed with the appearance of the city and the cordiality of the people.

Miss Harriette Lea, of Philadelphia, Mrs. M. C. Patterson and Miss Bessie Catlin have returned from a delightful visit to Washington and New York, where they went for four or five weeks. Mrs. Lea's friends are giving her a warm welcome back to the old home, where she was well known as Miss Julia Kratz.

Mrs. Louis C. Egan, of Milwaukee, Wis., arrived in the city Monday to be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kratz, of No. 304 Jefferson Park. For four or five weeks, Mrs. Egan's friends are giving her a warm welcome back to the old home, where she was well known as Miss Julia Kratz.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHATHAM, VA., April 20.—Reports from the fronts of Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights very much as to injury to the fruit crop.

In some sections ninety per cent. has been killed, while in others very slight injury has been done, but as a whole the peach and pear crop have, it is generally believed, been damaged more than three-fourths. Apples so far are unharmed.

SUFFOLK, VA.—Mrs. Lullie Jordan, wife of Hon. Walter Jordan, a former member of the Legislature of Virginia, while driving from her home in the county to Portsmouth, was thrown from her buggy and painfully injured. The horse was frightened at a street car just outside of Portsmouth.

TAZEWELL, VA.—William Hairston, the negro, who was hanged here last morning for the murder of his sweetheart, has been reprieved by the Governor until the 19th day of May.

Liquor Licenses in the County. Application for liquor licenses will be considered at the county courthouse on the 25th of this month. It is said that a number of the clubs will have trouble in securing licenses, on the ground of having sold liquor to other than members of the club.

## FASHION HINTS.



GIRLS' RUSSIAN DRESS. No. 2971.—The dress has an adjustable yoke that is buttoned and is trimmed with tucks. Pattern in sizes 2, 4, 6 and 8 years. Size 4 requires 2 1/2 yards of material 36 inches wide, and 8 yards of braid. The pattern can be gotten from The Cohen Co., for 10c.—Adv.

## WARNER LAYING OUT PECK OF TROUBLE FOR HIMSELF

Much Interest in Proposed Visit of Secretary of War to Tokio. Taft Talked of For Presidency. Washington Affairs.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, April 20.—It is pretty plain to the old-timers in Washington that Pension Commissioner Vespasian Warner is laying out a lot of trouble for himself. A clerk in the Pension Office, one who has been there for years, after having served several years in the Union army during the war between the States, remarked to-day that "the commissioner is acting like he doesn't want his job." The action of Commissioner Warner in recommending the dismissal from the service of the ten pension examiners, guilty of approving the claims of Pennsylvania and New Jersey soldiers who enlisted for service in the war, but never fired a shot or came within the smell of powder, never having been called into service by the government, appears to commend itself to those above him. Secretary Hitchcock promptly accepted the resignations of the examiners. The resignations were tendered at the request of the commissioner. The resignation of one of the examiners was withheld by the commissioner, as the examiners did not base upon the original question, but he did approve an application for an increase in pension made later.

It may be that the commissioner will not continue on his course of rooting out the pension lists, but he has declared that he is no case of the clean sweeping of the new broom; that he is determined to make the pension roll an honor roll, containing only the names of the actual defenders of the country. It is reported that other commissioners have undertaken a similar task. When Henry Clay Evans was commissioner he tried to purge the pension lists of unworthy recipients of the bounty of the government. He did not hold the position long. And when he went on to every Grand Army post in the country rejoiced. This may be putting it too strongly. There are G. A. R. men who insist to this day that Evans was one of the best commissioners the country has had, and that he was on the right track when he was trying to relieve the lists of unworthy pensioners. But it was the influence of the old soldiers that caused the dismissal of Evans from office, though President McKinley made him consul general at London. It is probable that the friends of Mr. Warner will be searching for a good foreign appointment for him before long, a soft place on which he may fall when he is fired out of the pension commission.

## Taft's Trip to Tokio.

Secretary Taft's troubles as host and cleaver of the party of senators, members of the house, and the wives of the two classes of legislators, on that journey to the Philippines this summer, multiply. First, the Secretary had to wrestle with the problem of selection. It was a difficult matter for him to pick out from such a large number the men whom he wished to make the trip with him. There are probably fifteen officials yet among those who have been invited, yet among those who have accepted, they were slighted. This made up the Secretary then had to encounter the criticism of the press of the country, which was not at all favorable to such a prolonging of the expense of the trip. Mr. Taft appears to have succeeded in convincing the majority of people that about the entire cost of the trip will be borne by the Philippine government, and the senators and members themselves. Now, the Secretary is up against another proposition in the form of an invitation from the Japanese government, formally presented through the Japanese legation here, to visit Tokyo on route to or from Manila. He at first declined the invitation. But the Japs are cute. The Secretary was assured, after investigation, that the Manchuria, the transport which will carry the party, would come long enough hama coal for some time, long enough to admit of a side trip to the capital of the empire. The Secretary knew this to be true, for when he was on his way to this country to take the portfolio of the head of the War Department, the Philippine term as governor-general of the Philippines, he had made this trip to Yokohama. He couldn't get out of accepting the invitation. So he said he would go to the Mikado's city.

It is understood that his decision to accept created strong talk at the Russian embassy, though it is not known that there was any protest of an official nature. Pro-Russian people in this city and there are some, think an official visit to the Mikado by the head of the American government at this juncture would be an indication of friendship for the enemy of Russia, which would be extremely offensive to the Russian people. They thought officially it might be looked upon as somewhat of a view, for it is learned to-day that he is not decided whether he will visit the Mikado when in Tokyo, he will do so would make any simply call, official one. The Japanese government in the capital, pay his respects, and return to Yokohama, and his steamer. It is not known whether the rest of the Secretary's party will go to Tokio.

## Presidency in 1908.

There is no doubt about the fact that the name of Secretary Taft is heard more frequently than any other in connection with the Republican nomination to the presidency in 1908. The general belief that Mr. Roosevelt wishes to see his Secretary Taft. He is an ardent Democrat of the old school, and appears to be a man of a year ago that he would not be tempted to vote the Republican ticket save under one certain circumstance. That one circumstance was the nomination of "Bill Taft" Taft to the presidency. "Bill Taft" President Roosevelt called him in a public speech a year or two ago. It is said that Secretary Taft and his friends fear that some decision of his, rendered while judge of the United States Court in Ohio back in the nineties, may be against him. Questions of labor or other organizations were involved, and the decisions were not pleasing to the labor men.

## Absence of President.

Business is not piling up at the White House, owing to the absence of President Roosevelt. The merely routine matters are easily disposed of, without reference to the Chief Executive. This is done when he is in Washington. Other and more important matters, requiring personal attention, such as making appointments and signing commissions, are being handled by Secretary Loeb, who penetrates the mountain fastnesses in which the presidential party is fraternizing with grizzlies, wolves, lions and other interesting denizens of the Rockies. The appointment clerk of one of the departments said to-day that, aside from a

slight delay in the matter of executive action on appointments, the department people can calculate to the day and almost to the hour of the reception of a document sent the President and returned with his approval or disapproval.

## Paymasters in Navy.

There are twenty-nine chances for bright young Americans to enter the navy this year, without passing through Annapolis. This number of assistant paymasters are to be appointed, all taken from civil life. This is the only position in the naval service to which a civilian is eligible, save that of cadet midshipman. The appointees are to be selected from a list of those who make a certain percentage on examinations to be held in Washington at the navy-yard, and at the Mare Island yard. Political influence will count for naught. It is stated. The applicants, however, in addition to passing an examination, must present letters from reputable business men showing their fitness for the position sought. The applicant must make a certain percentage on examination. The salary is \$1,500.

## Washington Affairs.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—Virginia postmasters appointed: Levy, Loudoun county; May, Caruthers, vice Horner R. Smith, resigned; Mountville, Loudoun county; E. H. Vansick, vice J. M. Mount, resigned.  
North Carolina rural routes ordered established May 15th: Conway, Northampton county, route 1, population 550, houses 104; Graham, Alamance county, route 2, population 568, houses 113; Mebane, Alamance county, routes 1 and 2, population 1,048, houses 233; Rocky Mount, Surry county, route 1, population 633, houses 127.  
Joseph B. Ayers, appointed regular; Harry L. Taylor, substitute rural carrier, route 4, Wilmington, N. C.  
Assistant Surgeon C. E. Spritt, U. S. N., has been detached from Naval Hospital at Norfolk and ordered to the Arctic station.

## ATTENDED PRIZE FIGHT.

And Now Mormon President Is in Hot Water Again.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SALT LAKE, UTAH, April 20.—Joseph F. Smith's presence at the School-Gardner prize fight Monday night has drawn forth another bitter public criticism from B. F. Gibbs, a prominent member of the Mormon Church. In an open letter, published yesterday, Mr. Gibbs refers to Mr. Smith as a "patron saint of prize fighting," challenges the Mormon prophet's claim to be a "prophet, seer and revelator," and charges that "among his own people, Joseph F. Smith is regarded as a 'good' fessed defiler of the laws of God and man." In the closing paragraph of his letter, Mr. Gibbs says the fact that Mr. Smith "eight of his sons and witness a brutal fighting match should not, after his notorious antics before the Senate Committee and since, excite any more comment than would the presence there of any other old sport. Nor does it concern any one as to the amount he now 'draws' from the 'result' of a lot of people, Mormons and gentiles, are now speculating on that question."

## Bitten by Fifty-Cent Dog.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WINSTED, CONN., April 20.—Charles Johnson, a farmer living in Winsted, near here, was perhaps fatally bitten yesterday by a shepherd dog which he purchased at an auction sale yesterday for fifty cents. The dog alone some beef from the cellar and carried it into a lot. When Johnson tried to recover the beef the dog attacked him, badly lacerating his legs and arms. To escape the brute, Johnson finally climbed a tree, where he remained for two hours, suffering great agony, before his wife could summon help. Johnson will have to be in bed a week if complications do not set in.

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